

Customer No.: 31561
Application No.: 10/707,668
Docket NO.: 09133-US-PA-1

Remarks

Present Status of the Application

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding Office Action mailed on May 17, 2004. The Office Action has objected to the title of the invention as not being descriptive. The Office Action has also objected to the specification and the claims because of several informalities. Further, the Office Action has rejected claims 10 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph.

In response thereto, Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for pointing out the informalities and accordingly corrected the editorial errors in specification and the claims. Regarding to the title of the invention, Applicants have amended the title to be more descriptive. Further, regarding to the 112, 2nd paragraph rejection, Applicants have amended claims 10, 12-14 and canceled claim 15 to more accurately describe the invention. It is believed that no new matter is added by way of these amendments made to the claims or otherwise to the application.

Upon entry of the amendments, claims 10-20 remain pending. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections are most earnestly solicited.

Discussion on Objections to the Specification

The title of the invention has been objected to as not being descriptive.

In response thereto, Applicants have amended the title to read "FABRICATION METHOD OF A FLASH MEMORY DEVICE".

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The specification has been objected to various informalities.

In response thereto, Applicants have amended the typographical errors in the specification according to the suggestions offered by the Examiner.

Regarding to the Examiner's objection to paragraph 32, the word "short" refers to an electrical short and the specification has been amended accordingly.

Regarding to the Examiner's objection to paragraph 44, "an obtuse angle #" reads "an obtuse angle θ " in Applicant's copy of the specification. If the objection is directed to the symbol "#", Applicant respectfully submits to the Office that the irregular symbol may be created by the electronic filing system. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections are courteously requested.

Discussion on Claim Objections

Claims 10, 12 and 14 have been objected to because of informalities.

In response thereto, the misspellings in claim 10 and the antecedent error in claim 12 have been corrected according to the Examiner's suggestions. Claim 14 have been amended to clarify that "the dopants of the ion implantation process, the source region and the drain region are a same type of dopants". Applicants respectfully submit that the aforementioned amendments to claims 10, 12 and 14 properly address and overcome the objections.

Discussion to Claim Rejections

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Claims 10 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In response thereto, Applicants have amended claims 10 and 14, and in light of the foregoing amendments and accommodation, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections have been traversed and/or rendered moot. Favorable consideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested.

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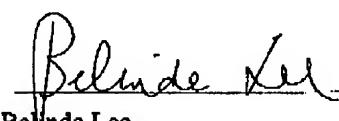
CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that the presently pending claims 10-20 are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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